## What is Claim d is:

1. A method for processing a substrate, comprising:

depositing a first anti-reflective layer; and

depositing a second anti-reflective layer on the first anti-reflective layer by a process comprising:

introducing a processing gas comprising a compound comprising an oxygen-free silane-based compound and an oxygen and carbon containing compound to the processing chamber; and

reacting the processing gas to deposit a nitrogen-free dielectric material on the substrate, wherein the nitrogen-free dielectric material comprises at least silicon and oxygen.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the oxygen-free silane-based compound comprises one or more compounds having the formula  $Si_XH_{2X+2}$ ,  $Si_XH_YCl_Z$ ,  $(R)_ZSi_XH_Y$ , or combinations thereof, wherein X is 1 to 4, Y is 0 to 2X + 1, Z is 2X +2, and R is an organic group.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the oxygen and carbon containing compound is an organosilicon selected from the group of tetraethoxysilane (TEOS), triethoxyfluorosilane (TEFS), 1,3,5,7-tetramethylcyclotetrasiloxane (TMCTS), dimethyldiethoxysilane, and combinations thereof.
- 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the ratio of the oxygen-free silane-based compound to the oxygen-containing organosilicon compound is between about 1 sccm:20 mgm and about 6 sccm:5 mgm.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the second anti-reflective layer comprises silicon, oxygen, and carbon, and has an oxygen content between about 15 atomic percentage and about 50 atomic percentage of oxygen.
- 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the processing gas further comprises an inert gas selected from the group of argon, helium, neon, xenon, or krypton, and combinations thereof.

- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the reacting the processing gas comprises generating a plasma at a RF power level between about 50 watts and about 10,000 watts at a pressure between about 1 Torr and about 50 Torr and a substrate temperature between about 100°C and about 1000°C.
- 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the first anti-reflective layer is depositing by introducing a second processing gas comprising a compound comprising an oxygen-free silane-based compound and an oxygen and carbon containing compound to the processing chamber and reacting the second processing gas to deposit a nitrogen-free dielectric material on the substrate comprising at least silicon and oxygen.
- 9. The method of claim 1, further comprising an oxide capping layer disposed on the second anti-reflective coating.
- 10. The method of claim 1, further comprising exposing the second anti-reflective coating to a nitrogen-free oxidizing plasma.
- 11. The method of claim 1, wherein the first anti-reflective coating and the second anti-reflective coating have a combined reflectivity below 1 percentage.
- 12. The method of claim 1, further comprising: depositing a photoresist material on the anti-reflective coating; and patterning the photoresist layer.
- 13. The method of claim 12, further comprising:

etching the second anti-reflective coating and any underlying dielectric material to define an interconnect opening therethrough; and

depositing one or more conductive materials to fill the interconnect opening.

14. The method of claim 1, wherein the oxygen and carbon containing compound is carbon dioxide.

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- 15. The method of claim 1, wherein the first antireflective coating has an extinction coefficient that is higher than the extinction coefficient for the second antireflective coating.
- 16. The method of claim 1, wherein the processing gas further comprises an inert gas selected from the group of argon, helium, neon, xenon, or krypton, and combinations thereof.
- 17. The method of claim 1, wherein the deposited nitrogen-free dielectric material has an index of refraction between about 1.5 and about 2.2.
- 18. The method of claim 1, wherein the deposited nitrogen-free dielectric material has an extinction coefficient of between about 0 and about 2.
- 19. The method of claim 7, wherein the reacting the processing gas comprises generating a plasma at a RF power level between about 50 watts and about 10,000 watts at a pressure between about 1 Torr and about 50 Torr and a substrate temperature between about 100°C and about 1000°C.
- 20. The method of claim 1, wherein the first anti-reflective coating and the second anti-reflective coating have an etch selectivity of oxide to anti-reflective coating of about 4:1 or greater.